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AMENDMENT WITH REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)

This Amendment is being filed in conjunction with a Request for Continued Examination ("RCE"), in lieu of an Appeal Brief, and in response to the Office Action dated April 5, 2010 (Paper No. 20100330, hereinafter referred to as "the final Office Action"), in the above-referenced application. A Notice of Appeal was filed electronically filed on September 7, 2010 and received by the USPTO on the same date. This response and the accompanying RCE are being timely filed as a Petition for an extension of time, up to and including April 7, 2011, including an authorization to charge fees, is being submitted herewith.

Amendments to and listing of the claims begin on page 2 of this response. Remarks begin on page 4 of this response.

Applicants respectfully request entry of the following amendments to the claims in conjunction with the accompanying RCE, consideration thereof in view of the remarks that follow, and withdrawal of the outstanding rejections of record.